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UNITED STATES PATENT APPLICATION Original Supplemental Substitute

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, citizenship and mailing address are given below under my name.

I/We believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled :

PHENYL- AND PYRIDYL-DIAZAHETEROCYCLES HAVING A TNF-MODULATING ACTIVITY
the application for which

is attached hereto.

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I/We have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

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